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This is a response to the Office Action mailed February 25, 1999. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and entry of the following amendment.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 41, 43, 48, 51, 56, 58, 63, 65, 71, 73, 78, 80, 86, 88 and 93 as follows:

Claim 41, line 2, before "mg to about 0.15", delete "0.0004" and insert --0.00004--.

Claim 43, line 7, before ", vitamin E", delete "-0" and insert therefor --C--.

Claim 48, line 2, before "mg to about 0.15", delete "0.0004" and insert therefor --0.00004--.

Claim 51, line 3, before "patient", delete "-s-aid" and insert therefor --said--.

Claim 56, line 2, before "mg to about 0.15", delete "0.0004" and insert therefor --0.00004--.

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